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Invention: DISPOSABLE PULL-ON UNDERGARMENT

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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to continuing the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-3 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A disposable pull-on undergarment comprising:
front and rear waist regions opposed to each other;